Rationale

Building back better from disasters presents opportunities to improve infrastructure, ecosystems, communities and livelihoods to be stronger, more sustainable and resilient. The dividends, or the benefits, of building back better are wide-ranging, including reduced future losses; improved standards, policies, practices, and technologies; and stimulus for economic activity. However, significant questions concerning timing, planning, implementation, and financing remain, and importantly, who should receive the dividends of build back better?

Disadvantaged and vulnerable people, often disproportionately impacted by disasters and with poor access to recovery resources and technical assistance, are too often left behind from the dividends of building back better and an equitable recovery. This Side Event will explore policies and practices that can achieve more equitable recovery outcomes. Panellists will address evidence and experiences of successes and failures, enablers and barriers, to a more inclusive recovery. The outcomes of this event will advance the ongoing global discourse on inclusive recovery, most recently addressed at the International Recovery Forum 2019 and World Reconstruction Conference 4.

Objectives

- Present evidence of the benefits to poor and vulnerable groups that can be achieved from “build back better” policies, initiatives, or programs.
- Highlight the real benefits of inclusion in “Build Back Better” programs
- Explore effective ways to achieve and sustain the benefits of inclusion in “build back better”, as well as challenges, enablers, and barriers.
**PROGRAMME**

12:30 – 12:45 **Keynote**

Mr. Haruo Hayashi, President, National Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience

12:45 – 12:55 **Presentation on Outcomes of the International Recovery Forum 2019**

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12:55 – 13:55 **Panel Discussion**

**Moderator: Mr. Josef Leitmann**, Chair of the IRP Steering Committee (GFDRR/WB)

**Panelists**

1. **Building Capacities for/Empowering an Inclusive Recovery – Mr. Kamal Kishore**, Member, National Disaster Management Authority, India
2. **Inclusive Green/Blue Infrastructure Recovery - Mr. Mark Osler**, Senior Advisor for Coastal Inundation and Resilience for the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

**Panelists’ Profile**

Mr. Haruo Hayashi
President of the National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience

Mr. Haruo Hayashi is President of the National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience since 2015. He received both his Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees from Waseda University, and Ph.D. from the University of California at Los Angeles in the field of social psychology. The general focus of his work is on Societal and Human Reactions to Disasters, Risk Communication and Education, Information System for Disaster Management, Standardization of Emergency Operations, and Multi-hazard Risk Assessment.

Mr. Kamal Kishore
Member, National Disaster Management Authority, India

Mr. Kamal Kishore has worked on disaster risk reduction and recovery issues for over 22 years. Prior to joining the National Disaster Management Authority, he worked with the United Nations for nearly 13 years in New Delhi, Geneva and New York. Prior to UNDP, he served at the Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre as Director of Information and Research, and Manager of the Extreme Climate Events Programme covering Indonesia, the Philippines and Vietnam. This was preceded by intensive field experience with TARU in India where work on post-disaster reconstruction after Uttarkashi (1991) and Latur (1993) earthquakes allowed him to apply his professional skills as an architect.

Mr. Sushil Gyewali
Chief Executive Officer of the National Reconstruction Authority

Mr. Sushil Gyewali, a Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of National Reconstruction Authority (NRA) of Nepal, which has major responsibility of reconstruction and rehabilitation after Nepal’s Earthquake of April 25, 2015. Mr. Gyewali has Master of Science Degree in Urban Planning from Tribhuvan University of Nepal. Mr. Gyewali is the former Executive Director of Town Development Fund (TDF) where he played a crucial role in building capacities of the municipalities in managing various source of funding for developing sustainable infrastructure and urban development. He is a specialist of local governance, fiscal decentralization, urban planning and urban development. Mr. Gyewali has around 25 years of proven experiences in policy formulation, design, implementation and review of development projects. He has played a vital role in strengthening local government's capacities to lead reconstruction work and facilitate with federal government to formulate resilient recovery and development policies of Nepal.

Mr. Juan Caballero
Director of Programs and Partnerships, Latin America, Build Change

Mr. Juan Caballero is the Director of Programs and Partnerships for Build Change in Latin America, leading Build Change’s preventive approach in Colombia, Guatemala and other countries in the region. He has led three post-earthquake reconnaissance teams in Colombia, Mexico and Ecuador, leads the regional team, oversees housing subsector studies, develops technical resources, and advocates and cultivates partnerships. Juan began with Build Change as a Project Manager in Haiti in 2012, and has since overseen resilient housing projects in Botogotá, Medellín, Colombia, and in Guatemala, with plans to expand the efforts to other major cities in Latin America. Juan earned his Master’s degree in Project Management from the Universidad de Chile para la Cooperación Internacional, and is an architect form the National University of Honduras, licensed in both Honduras and Colombia.

(3) Evidence of the Benefits of Inclusive Recovery - Mr. Sushil Gyewali, Chief Executive Officer, National Reconstruction Authority, Nepal

(4) Planning for inclusive recovery in the Caribbean – Ms. Emily Wilkinson, Senior Research Fellow, Risk and Resilience Programme, Overseas Development Institute

(5) Innovative Approaches to Ensuring Inclusive Recovery – Mr. Juan Caballero, Director of Programmes and Partnerships, Latin America, Build Change

(6) Inclusive, Community-based Recovery from a technological hazard – Mr. Tadanori Inomata, Advisor, Office for Global Relations, Nagasaki University

13:55 – 14:00 **Closing Remarks**

Mr. Josef Leitmann, Chair of the IRP Steering Committee (GFDRR/WB)